

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SENIOR COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD, ARIZONA, HELD FEBRUARY 26, 2009 AT THE OLD TOWN SUB-STATION, 817 NO. MAIN STREET, COTTONWOOD, ARIZONA.

Chairman Carrigan called the meeting to order at 4:06 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was as follows:

Commission Members Present

Beth Carrigan, Chairman
Evelyn Couturier, Commission Member
Janice Montgomery, Commission Member
Max Brown, Commission Member

Commission Members Absent

Elaine Bremner, Vice Chairman

Council Members Present

Duane Kirby
Linda Norman

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 22, 2009

It was moved by Janice Montgomery and seconded by Evelyn Couturier to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION OF PROGRESS FOR THE GRANT THROUGH UNITED WAY FOR A RESOURCE SPECIALIST

Due to the absence of Elaine Bremner, this item was tabled.

POSSIBLE REVIEW OF THE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR TWO VACANT POSITIONS ON THE COMMISSION

Linda Norman reported that Human Resources had received only one application. The applicant would be able to fill the vacancy for a citizen 65 years or over. The applicant is Jake Gonzales. Duane Kirby knows Mr. Gonzales quite well, and recommends him for the position. It was the consensus of the Commissioners that Mr. Gonzales's application should be approved the City Council as soon as possible.

DISCUSSION OF THE GOALS FOR THE SENIOR COMMISSION

- * The Commissioners discussed the importance of finding a provider to fill the one vacancy left on the Commission. The Commission needs someone who can attend the meetings and be a strong member.
- * There was a suggestion of holding an Open House at the Verde Valley Senior Center so that the local citizens could attend and meet the Senior Commissioners. It would provide a time to listen to the citizens and get input of their concerns and needs of the

area. Max Brown volunteered to speak to Elaine Bremner so she could be looking for a good date to hold the Open House. It was the consensus that a Thursday or Friday around 1:00 PM or 1:30 PM might be a good time.

* There was a discussion to complete the survey for citizens to complete. The survey had been discussed in September and October, 2008. Beth Carrigan has two or three surveys provided by other groups, with some good questions and information. Chairman Carrigan requested each Commissioner to bring to the March meeting two or three questions they would like included on the survey.

PROVIDE INPUT ABOUT CURRENT EVENTS OF INTEREST

Beth Carrigan provided each Commissioner with a copy of the City of Cottonwood – Board and Commission Member Hand Book.

Beth Carrigan suggested the next agenda include – Introduction of new Commissioner - status on the grant through United Way - and an update on the grant application for a Title V person.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Evelyn Couturier, and seconded by Max Brown to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 P.M.